

They placed out in the field there by the memorial 4,200 flags representing the lives of the Americans that have been sacrificed in this global war on terror in this quest for freedom. It also represents 50 million people that live free today that didn't at the beginning of this global war on terror.

I looked back at the dedication and the sacrifice of all of them, and I added to that dedication another sacrifice, a sacrifice that we hear very little of, and that is those over-5,000 Americans who gave their lives during a time of peace during the period between Desert Storm and the beginning of this global war on terror, 510 a year, Mr. Speaker.

I thank you for being recognized. I thank all the speakers here tonight that have spoken up for freedom.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. BOYD (at the request of Mr. HOYER) for today.

Mr. CONYERS (at the request of Mr. HOYER) for today, the balance of the week, and the week of September 17 on account of official business.

Ms. ESHOO (at the request of Mr. HOYER) for today.

Ms. KILPATRICK (at the request of Mr. HOYER) for today.

Mr. LYNCH (at the request of Mr. HOYER) for today.

Mrs. NAPOLITANO (at the request of Mr. HOYER) for today.

Mr. PLATTS (at the request of Mr. BOEHNER) for today on account of an official delegation trip to visit American military and civilian personnel in Central Asia and the Persian Gulf, as well as humanitarian efforts in Africa.

Mr. SESSIONS (at the request of Mr. BOEHNER) for today on account of travel delays.

Mr. WESTMORELAND (at the request of Mr. BOEHNER) for today on account of official business.

Mr. BONNER (at the request of Mr. BOEHNER) for today on account of personal reasons.

Mr. CULBERSON (at the request of Mr. BOEHNER) for today on account of illness.

Mr. EVERETT (at the request of Mr. BOEHNER) for today on account of official business.

Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey (at the request of Mr. BOEHNER) for today on account of official business.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. PAYNE) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. CUMMINGS, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. WYNN, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. WOOLSEY, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. PAYNE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mrs. MALONEY of New York, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. JONES of North Carolina) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. BURTON of Indiana, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. JONES of North Carolina, for 5 minutes, September 17.

Mr. POE, for 5 minutes, September 17.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. KING of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 9 o'clock and 35 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, September 11, 2007, at 10:30 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

3233. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Witchweed Quarantine Regulations; Regulated Areas in North Carolina and South Carolina [Docket No. APHS-2006-0170] received August 10, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

3234. A letter from the Administrator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Prohibition of the Use of Specified Risk Materials for Human Food and Requirements for the Disposition of Non-Ambulatory Disabled Cattle; Prohibition of the Use of Certain Stunning Devices Used To Immobilize Cattle During Slaughter [Docket No. 03-025F] (RIN: 0583-AC88) received August 6, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

3235. A letter from the Administrator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Designation of the State of New Mexico Under the Federal Meat Inspection Act and Poultry Products Inspection Act [Docket No. FSIS-2007-0023] (RIN: 0583-AD29) received August 6, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

3236. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Mgmt. Staff, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Food Additives Permitted in Feed and Drinking Water of Animals; Selenium Yeast [Docket No. 1998F-0196] received August 8, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

3237. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Residues of Quaternary Ammonium Compounds di-n-Alkyl (C8-10) dimethyl Ammonium chloride, Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance [EPA-HQ-OPP-2006-0572; FRL-8146-7] received September 5, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

3238. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report on U.S. military personnel and U.S. individual civilians retained as contractors involved in supporting Plan

Colombia, pursuant to Public Law 106-246, section 3204 (f) (114 Stat. 577); to the Committee on Armed Services.

3239. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans Kentucky: Volatile Organic Compound Definition Updates [EPA-R04-OAR-2006-0650-200705(a); FRL-8464-2] received September 5, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3240. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans North Carolina: Mecklenburg County Regulations [EPA-R04-OAR-2005-NC-0004-200704(a); FRL-8465-4] received September 5, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3241. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; New Hampshire; Revised Carbon Monoxide Maintenance Plan for Nashua [EPA-R01-OAR-2007-0497; A-1-FRL-8463-6] received September 5, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3242. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Determination of Attainment, Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans and Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; Ohio; Correction [EPA-R05-OAR-2006-0046; FRL-8464-3] received September 5, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3243. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Update of Continuous Instrumental Test Methods: Technical Amendments [EPA-HQ-OAR-2002-0071; FRL-8448-9] (RIN: 2060-A009) received September 5, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3244. A letter from the Senior Legal Advisor, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Service Rules for the 698-806 MHz Band and Public Safety Spectrum Requirements [WT Docket No. 06-150 CC Docket No. 94-102 WT Docket No. 01-309 WT Docket No. 03-264 WT Docket No. 06-169 PS Docket No. 06-229 WT Docket No. 96-86 WT Docket No. 07-166] received September 4, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3245. A letter from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — In the Matter of Telecommunications Services Inside Wiring Customer Premises Equipment Implementation of the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992: Cable Home Wiring Clarification of the Commission's Rules and Policies Regarding Unbundled Access to Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers' Inside Wire Subloop [CS Docket No. 95-184 MM Docket No. 92-260 WC Docket No. 01-338] received September 4, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3246. A letter from the Chief, Policy Division, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — In the Matters of Review of the Emergency Alert System; Independent Spanish Broadcasters Association, the Office of Communication of the United Church of Christ, Inc.,

and the Minority Media and Telecommunications Council, Petition for Immediate Relief [EB Docket No. 04-296] received September 4, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3247. A letter from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — In the Matter of Digital Audio Broadcasting Systems And Their Impact on the Terrestrial Radio Broadcast Service [MM Docket No. 99-325] received September 4, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3248. A letter from the Deputy Chief, CGB, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — In the Matters of IP-Enabled Services Implementation of Sections 255 and 251(a)(2) of The Communications Act of 1934, as Enacted by The Telecommunications Act of 1996: Access to Telecommunications Service, Telecommunications Equipment and Customer Premises Equipment by Persons with Disabilities Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities The Use of N11 Codes and Other Abbreviated Dialing Arrangements [WC Docket No. 04-36 WT Docket No. 96-198 CG Docket No. 03-123 CC Docket No. 92-105] Received September 4, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3249. A letter from the Deputy Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting reports in accordance with Section 36(a) of the Arms Export Control Act, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(a); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. OBERSTAR: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. H.R. 2775. A bill to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to authorize funding for emergency management performance grants, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 110-322). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. REICHERT:

H.R. 3508. A bill to provide automatic continuing appropriations for the Government; to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BURGESS:

H.R. 3509. A bill to provide health care liability reform, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania (for himself, Mr. GONZALEZ, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, and Mr. RODRIGUEZ):

H.R. 3510. A bill to prohibit the imposition and collection of tolls on certain highways constructed using Federal funds; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. ALEXANDER:

H.R. 3511. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2150 East Hardtner Drive in Urania, Louisiana, a the "Murphy A. Tannehill Post Of-

fice Building"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Ms. CARSON (for herself, Mr. WU, Mr. KAGEN, Ms. HOOLEY, and Mr. SCOTT of Virginia):

H.R. 3512. A bill to ensure that college textbooks and supplemental materials are available and affordable; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. DEFAZIO:

H.R. 3513. A bill to amend the Oregon Wilderness Act of 1984 to designate the Copper Salmon Wilderness and to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate segments of the North and South Forks of the Elk River in the State of Oregon as wild or scenic rivers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas:

H.R. 3514. A bill to authorize workshops to eliminate gender bias for women in careers in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor, and in addition to the Committees on Science and Technology, and Armed Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. MCHUGH:

H.R. 3515. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow individuals a refundable credit against income tax for the purchase of private health insurance; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MCHUGH:

H.R. 3516. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a 100 percent deduction for the health insurance costs of individuals; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MCHUGH:

H.R. 3517. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that distributions from an individual retirement plan, a section 401(k) plan, or a section 403(b) contract shall not be includible in gross income to the extent used to pay long-term care insurance premiums; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MILLER of Florida (for himself, Mr. BUCHANAN, Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida, Mr. KELLER, Mr. CRENSHAW, Mr. MARIO DIAZ-BALART of Florida, Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART of Florida, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mr. PUTNAM, Mr. STEARNS, Ms. CASTOR, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. BOYD of Florida, Mr. WEXLER, Mr. WELDON of Florida, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mr. YOUNG of Florida, Mr. MACK, Mr. FEENEY, Mr. MICA, Mr. MEEK of Florida, Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida, and Mr. MAHONEY of Florida):

H.R. 3518. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1430 South Highway 29 in Cantonment, Florida, as the "Charles H. Hendix Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 3519. A bill to establish the United States Commission on an Open Society with Security; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Homeland Security, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. SENSENBRENNER:

H.R. 3520. A bill to provide for the appointment of additional Federal circuit and district judges, to improve the administration of justice, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SIREs (for himself, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, and Ms. WATERS):

H.R. 3521. A bill to improve the Operating Fund for public housing of the Department of Housing and Urban Development; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. UDALL of New Mexico:

H.R. 3522. A bill to ratify a conveyance of a portion of the Jicarilla Apache Reservation to Rio Arriba County, State of New Mexico, pursuant to the settlement of litigation between the Jicarilla Apache Nation and Rio Arriba County, State of New Mexico, to authorize issuance of a patent for said lands, and to change the exterior boundary of the Jicarilla Apache Reservation accordingly, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. GALLEGLY (for himself and Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California):

H. Con. Res. 208. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding raising awareness of and opposition to global terrorism; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. HOYER (for himself and Mr. BOEHNER):

H. Res. 643. A resolution recognizing September 11 as a day of remembrance, extending sympathies to those who lost their lives on September 11, 2001, and their families, honoring the heroic actions of our nation's first responders and Armed Forces, and reaffirming the commitment to defending the people of the United States against any and all future challenges; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BOEHNER (for himself, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. PUTNAM, Mr. CANTOR, Mr. MCCOTTER, Ms. GRANGER, Mr. CARTER, Mr. HUNTER, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. MARIO DIAZ-BALART of Florida, Mr. DREIER, Mr. UPTON, Mr. POE, and Mr. SAXTON):

H. Res. 644. A resolution reaffirming the commitment of the House of Representatives to respecting the independent and professional reputation of General David H. Petraeus and all members of the United States Armed Forces serving in good standing in the defense of the United States; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. MARIO DIAZ-BALART of Florida (for himself and Mr. MCHENRY):

H. Res. 645. A resolution expressing the gratitude and appreciation of the House of Representatives to the professionalism and dedication of the United States Capitol Police; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey (for himself, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, Mr. MACK, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Ms. FOX, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. PAUL, Mr. CONAWAY, Mr. AKIN, and Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGREN of California):

H. Res. 646. A resolution celebrating the 220th Anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States of America, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. GINGREY:

H. Res. 647. A resolution commending General David H. Petraeus for his exemplary service to the United States and for his leadership as Commander of the Multi-National Force-Iraq and condemning in the strongest possible terms the reprehensible efforts of certain persons questioning the honesty, integrity, and service of General Petraeus; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. ISSA:

H. Res. 648. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of Sudden Cardiac Arrest Awareness Day; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.